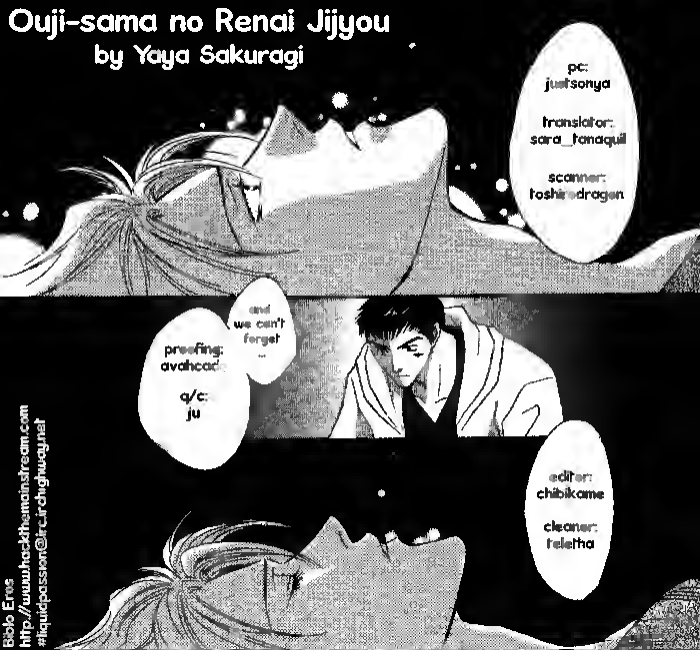
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CRACK
FWOOSH
YOU BUNCH OF MORONS!
HOW DO YOU LIKE THAT, YOU BASTARDS?!
NEXT TIME ONE OF YOU SO MUCH AS LAYS A HAND ON HIM... DON'T THINK YOU'LL GET OFF SO EASILY!
YOU'RE THE MORON
TH
UNK
OW!

Takamiya
I THOUGHT I'D BEEN GETTING STRANGE LOOKS LATELY...
I KNEW IT. IT'S BECAUSE OF YOU, ISN'T IT?
WHAT'RE YOU SAYING?! YOU'RE MY LOVE, AREN'TCHA?
IDOOVE
DOUMOTO... YOU AT IT AGAIN?
You're an idiot, you know that?
IF YOU KEEP DOING THIS KIND OF STUFF, OF COURSE TAKAMIYA-KUN'S GONNA BE MAD!
TAMURA...
Miyu...
HEY! TAKAMIYA!
STOMP STOMP
IGNORED!

SUPER MACHO MAN
AND WHY NOT?!
ANY RUDE JERK I SEE TRYING TO LAY A HAND ON HIM.
MAN OR WOMAN, I'LL KICK THEIR ASS!
WHAT'RE YOU PLANNING TO DO KNOCK OUT EVERY-ONE WHO'S INTERESTED IN TAKAMIYA, ONE AFTER ANOTHER?
MAN...
Sh-sh
Well, no surprise there
THAT'S RIGHT! HE'S SUPER-POPULAR WITH GIRLS, TOO
WHO KNOWS?
WHERE THE HELL DOES THAT GUY GET HIS SELF-CONFIDENCE?
Even though nothing's ever been reciprocated
BWAHAHAHA
BECAUSE HE'S MINE!

WHAT THE..?
CRINKLE CRINKLE
THUNK
...
Wanna walk home together?
Dou
Ah Hey!
DISAPPOINTMENT
RIP
THUNK
Ah sure! My pleasure!
THROW THIS OUT FOR ME, WOULD YOU?
GAH!
DOOR

SENSEI!
DOUMOTO-KUN IS DISTURBING THE CLASS WOULD YOU PLEASE ASK HIM TO LEAVE THE ROOM?
Are you going to walk all over my heart?! — Dou
.....
Ahhh
THUNK
WHAT?!
PAT
Man, he really does NOT love you
More like he hates you!
YOU AGAIN, DOUMOTO?
IF YOU'RE NOT INTERESTED IN THE LESSON, YOU MIGHT AS WELL LEAVE
RATTLE
EXCELLENT!

TAKAMIYA! LET'S BLOW THIS JOINT.
GRAB!!
HEY...!
HEY!
DAMMIT! DOUMOTO!
LET GO OF ME, ASSHOLE!
...OI...!

SUCCESS, SUCCESS!
hee hee
FLOP
HAHA HAHA HAHA HA!
OF COURSE IT IS.
THAT'S GOTTA BE THE FIRST TIME YOU'VE EVER DITCHED CLASS.
PAT
YOU KNOW,
I COULD TEACH YOU A LOT OF DIFFERENT THINGS...
...HUH?

GRIN
I WANT TO SHARE MORE OF YOUR "FIRSTS"!
I THINK NOT.
DISAPPOINTMENT
YOU!!!

I'm on cleaning duty!
WHA... WHAT NOW, MIYU...?
GIVE ME A BREAK!
HAVEN'T YOU EVER THOUGHT ABOUT THE PROBLEMS YOU CAUSE TAKAMIYA-KUN?
JAB!
WELL?! LISTEN UP
TAKAMIYA-KUN HAS EXCELLENT GRADES, AN IRREPROACHABLE CHARACTER, ELEGANT LOOKS, AND THAT'S NOT ALL!
WITH HIS TALENT FOR MUSIC, HE'S AN ARTIST OF WHOM GREAT THINGS ARE EXPECTED IN THE FUTURE!
Sigh
PRINCE
I mean really!
HE'S THE OBJECT OF EVERY GIRL'S ADMIRATION, A PERFECT PRINCE TAKEN RIGHT FROM THE PAGES OF A SHOUJO MANGA!
Honestly
WELL, THAT'S NOT A PHRASE YOU HEAR EVERY-DAY...
PR... PRINCE?
But YOU!
AMONG US GIRLS, WE HAVE AN UNSPOKEN AGREEMENT THAT HE'S OFF LIMITS!

THAT'S WHAT I'M SAYING..!!
HE'S OUT OF REACH FOR COMMON FOLK LIKE US!
CAN'T YOU JUST GET THAT THROUGH YOUR HEAD?!
DON'T YOU SEE, THAT'S WHY.
HUH?
OH .!
WELL THEN, YOU CAN TAKE IT FROM HERE
AH... OK...
Here, take this broom
IF EVERYONE WATCHES HIM FROM A DISTANCE LIKE THAT,
HE'LL END UP BEING ALL ALONE
HEY, WAIT A MINUTE! NOW LOOK HERE! DOUMOTO, YOU'RE ON CLEANING DUTY!
sigh

MIYU...
HE REALLY IS A FOOL...

HUH, SO YOU CAN PLAY THE PIANO, TOO PRETTY COOL...
HUH?
HOW DID YOU GET IN!?
THROUGH THE FRONT DOOR, LIKE A NORMAL PERSON.
You make it sound like I'm a CRIMINAL!

I TOLD YOUR MOTHER I WAS A FRIEND, AND SHE LET ME IN RIGHT AWAY.
OH! SHOULD I HAVE TOLD HER THE TRUTH?
WHAT'S THAT SUPPOSED TO MEAN...?
WHO SAID YOU WERE MY FRIEND?
HEY, LET ME HEAR YOU SING!
WHY SHOULD I PERFORM FOR YOU... WHAT'S IN IT FOR ME?
WELL THEN, I'LL JUST LISTEN TO YOU PLAY.
I LOVE YOUR MUSIC.

IT'S STRANGE.
I DON'T KNOW A THING ABOUT MUSIC, BUT...
SOMEHOW, YOUR MUSIC MAKES ME FEEL GOOD.
PLINK
ALL RIGHT, JUST THIS ONCE.

HMM, I WONDER WHY THAT IS?
MAYBE BECAUSE IT'S YOU
WHY?
ARE YOU TRYING TO HIT ON ME?
AH, YOU COULD TELL?!
IDIOT...

YOU'RE SO TRANS-PARENT...
HEY, THE MOON IS BEAUTI-FUL.
NO TIME FOR THAT NOW.
HMM-?
COME ON, JUST LOOK.

ISN'T IT?
CHE
Well, true, it is beautiful!
A FULL MOON?
WHO KNOWS?
OH, NEVER MIND THE MOON! CONCENTRATE ON THIS!
THUD
UWA!

"I WON'T LOOK AT THE MOON ANY MORE..."
?
DID YOU SAY SOMETHING?
NAH...

TAKAMIYA!!
YOU GOT A MOMENT?
WHAT?

MY FEELINGS...
SAY, WHAT ARE YOUR FEELINGS FOR DOUMOTO?
...LIKES HIM
MIYU...
...EH?
...
IF YOU DON'T HAVE ANY SPECIAL FEELINGS FOR DOUMOTO, WON'T YOU TURN HIM DOWN ONCE AND FOR ALL?
SO, FOR MIYU'S SAKE...

I CAN'T
EH?
WHY...?
IT WAS LAST SUMMER, I THINK...
BACK THEN, I WAS SICK AND TIRED OF ALWAYS DOING WHAT MY PARENTS TOLD ME TO DO
PIANO, VOICE LESSONS, ALL THE THINGS THEY WERE FORCING ON ME... I WANTED TO THROW IT ALL AWAY.

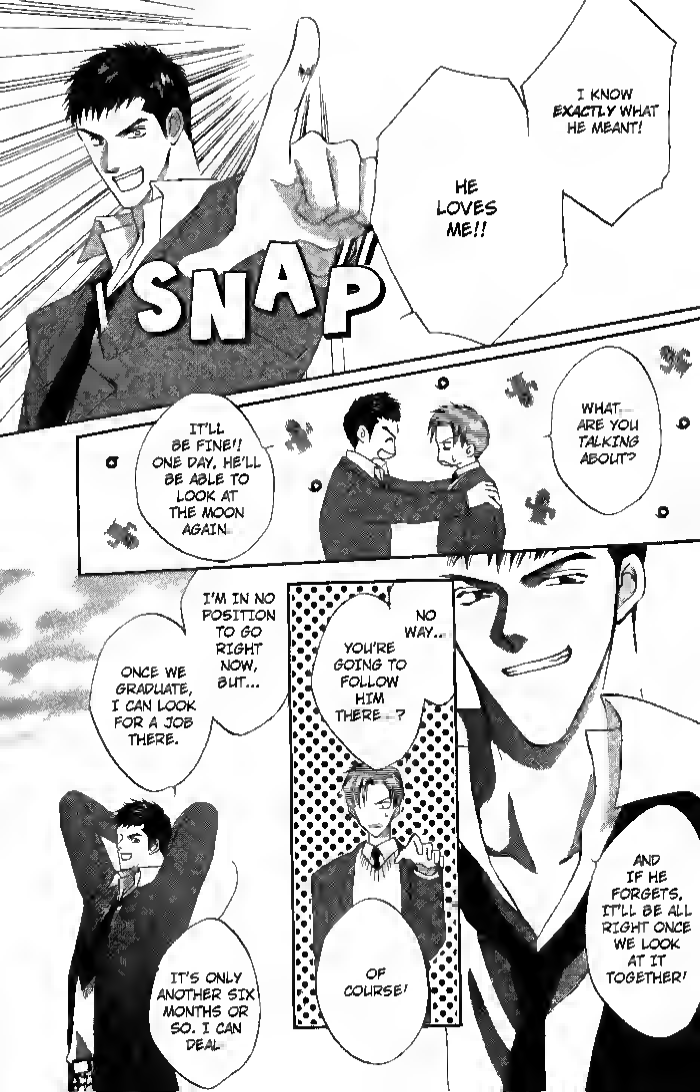
AND SO, I DECIDED TO GIVE ONE LAST PERFORMANCE...
WITH THIS, I'LL PUT AN END TO IT.
phew
I'LL MAKE A BREAK WITH THE PERSON I'VE BEEN UP UNTIL NOW.
CLAP CLAP CLAP
"YOUR VOICE IS AMAZING!!"

"THAT WAS SO MOVING!"
"PLEASE, WON'T YOU SING IT ONE MORE TIME?"
HE WAS UNLIKE ANYONE I'D EVER ENCOUNTERED.
PEOPLE WERE ALWAYS PRAISING ME TO THE SKIES AND CALLING ME A GENIUS OR WHATEVER, BUT.
HE WAS THE FIRST PERSON WHO EVER TOOK SUCH SIMPLE DELIGHT IN MY MUSIC
HE MADE ME REALIZE THAT I DIDN'T HAVE TO THROW IT ALL AWAY, THAT I COULD CHOOSE THE PATH FOR MYSELF.
TAKAMIYA, DOES THIS MEAN...?
Don't tell me, you really...?
Ehh?!

SOUNDS LIKE A GUY TALKING ABOUT HIS LOVER, DOESN'T IT...?
HEY, DOUMOTO, HAVEN'T SEEN YOU IN A WHILE
WHAT WERE YOU DOING, SKIPPING THREE DAYS OF SCHOOL?
AH, SHUT UP! I KEEP TELLING YOU, I HAD A BAD COLD.
HUH? TAKAMIY 'S NOT HERE TODAY?

EH?! DON'T TELL ME...
YOU DIDN'T KNOW?!
KNOW WHAT?
You're Friends Scaring me
DOUMOTO ..
COME HERE A SEC..
HE SAID HE WAS GOING TO GERMANY TO STUDY ABROAD.
HUH?!
HE WANTS TO DEVOTE HIMSELF SERIOUSLY TO VOCAL TRAINING. HE WON'T BE BACK FOR THREE YEARS.
WHAT THE HELL IS THIS?! HE NEVER SAID A WORD TO ME!

HE ASKED ME TO GIVE YOU A MESSAGE.
"I WON'T LOOK AT THE MOON ANY MORE BECAUSE, I DON'T WANT TO FORGET THAT MOON." THAT'S WHAT HE SAID.
HE SAID YOU WOULD UNDERSTAND... DO YOU?
AH...
"I WON'T LOOK AT THE MOON ANY MORE..."
THE MOON?
THAT TIME...
BWA HAHA HAHA HA!
HAVE YOU LOST IT?
HEY, CHEER UP!!
THERE ARE PLENTY OF OTHER FISH IN THE SEA!!


I KNOW EXACTLY WHAT HE MEANT!
HE LOVES ME!!
SNAP
WHAT— ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?
IT'LL BE FINE!! ONE DAY, HE'LL BE ABLE TO LOOK AT THE MOON AGAIN.
NO WAY..
YOU'RE GOING TO FOLLOW HIM THERE...?
I'M IN NO POSITION TO GO RIGHT NOW, BUT...
ONCE WE GRADUATE, I CAN LOOK FOR A JOB THERE.
OF COURSE!
IT'S ONLY ANOTHER SIX MONTHS OR SO. I CAN DEAL
AND IF HE FORGETS, IT'LL BE ALL RIGHT ONCE WE LOOK AT IT TOGETHER!

BUT,
HE LET ME SEE JUST A LITTLE OF HIS HEART
YOU KNOW I CAN RESPECT THAT, IN A WEIRD WAY
IT'LL BE ALL RIGHT
TOLD YA, DIDN'T I?
I'M THE ONLY ONE WHO WILL NEVER LET HIM BE ALONE
UNTIL WE MEET AGAIN EVERY SINGLE DAY, WE'LL LOOK UP TOGETHER AT THE MOON IN OUR SEPARATE SKIES.
THE TRUTH IS, THERE WERE TIMES WHEN I FELT UNEASY, BUT...
END